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<ul> <li>2.  Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).</li> <li>(a)  The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated</li> </ul>					
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